



# Woodstock City Manager's Newsletter

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## Around Town

- **Off Square Music Fundraiser**, Friday, August 19th, 7:00 pm, Stage Left Café
- **Rusty Wright**, Friday, August 19th, Opera House Main Stage, 8:00 pm
- **Farmer's Market**, Woodstock Square, Saturday, August 20th 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
- **Woodstock on the Square Benefit Car Show** – Saturday, August 20th, 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Proceeds to benefit Woodstock Food Pantry \$15 registration at the gate; spectators free
- **D200 Backers Club Fundraiser** - Ortmann's Red Iron Tavern, Saturday, August 20th, 7:00 – 11:00 pm.
- **Bark-a-Paw-Looza** – Sunday, August 21st, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Woodstock Square. A fundraising event to support the Rescued Dog Resource Center. Bring your dogs out to the Square or bring your family to adopt a dog. For additional information, go to their website - [www.rescueddogresourcecenter.com](http://www.rescueddogresourcecenter.com)
- **Farmer's Market**, Woodstock Square, Tuesday, August 23rd 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
- **Senior Coffee**, Tuesday, August 23rd, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Stage Left Café
- **August Concert Series in Park in the Square** – One band concert remaining this summer at the Park in the Square; Maxwell Street Klezmer Band on August 24th – 7:00 pm
- **Farmer's Market**, Woodstock Square, Saturday, August 27th, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
- **'Paw Crawl' – Benefits Helping Paws Animal Shelter**, Saturday, August 27th, 5:00 pm – Sun., Aug. 28th, 1:00 am. 3rd Annual Paw Crawl, 21+ years old. Includes 9 local restaurants / bars, 'Crawling for Clues' game, 50/50 raffle. Registration up to day of event, \$50. Costs include five drink tokens. For further information go to their website. [www.rescueddogresourcecenter.com](http://www.rescueddogresourcecenter.com)
- **Galactic Cowboy Orchestra** - Saturday, August 27th, Opera House Main Stage, 8:00 pm.
- **The 9th annual Woodstock Jazz Festival** - Friday, August 26th and Saturday, August 27th. (see page 8 for more details)
- **Annual Dinner & Golf Fore A Cause** - Save the date for Family Alliance's Annual Dinner & Golf Outing at Bull Valley Golf Club on Monday, August 29th. Registration begins at 9:30 am, Putting Contest at 10:00 am and Shotgun Start at 11:00 am. Silent Auction & Cocktail Hour, 4:30 pm. Dinner at 5:30 pm & Live Auction at 6:30 PM. For further information or to register go to their website or call 815-338-3590. <http://familyallianceinc.org/>
- **Farmer's Market**, Woodstock Square, Tuesday, August 30th 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
- **Senior Coffee**, Tuesday, August 30th, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Stage Left Café

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## Human Resources

### RECRUITMENT



#### **Part-Time Front Desk Cashier – Woodstock**

**Recreation Center:** The City of Woodstock is seeking a part-time Front Desk Cashier with the Woodstock Recreation Center at 820 Lake Avenue. The position

works up to 28 hours per week, with possible scheduling for work periods that may include: Monday – Friday 4:30 am – 9:00 am, 8:00 am – 3:00 pm or 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday 7:00 am – noon or Saturday and Sunday noon – 5:00 pm. **Note: This is not a seasonal position: Ideally candidates should demonstrate commitment to year-round employment on a set schedule, preferably for a minimum of 1-2 years. Starting pay rate is \$8.46 per hour; benefits include prorated vacation, holiday, sick leave and IMRF pension. Application Deadline: Open until filled.**

Please refer to the City's website at [www.woodstockil.gov](http://www.woodstockil.gov) and click on the Jobs section for further details and the application process on the above opportunities. *The City of Woodstock is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

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The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson.

- Tom Bodett



### Employment Anniversaries

Martha Hansen - Library - 27 years  
Steve Major - Sewer & Water - 24 years  
Pat O'Leary - Parks - 18 years  
Barry Pierce - Streets - 16 years  
Anne George - Wastewater - 11 years  
Samantha Stelford - Opera House - 6 years  
Peggy Palmquist - Library - 5 years  
Elsa Diaz - Recreation - 1 year  
Alyssa Parsons - Recreation - 1 year



### Birthdays

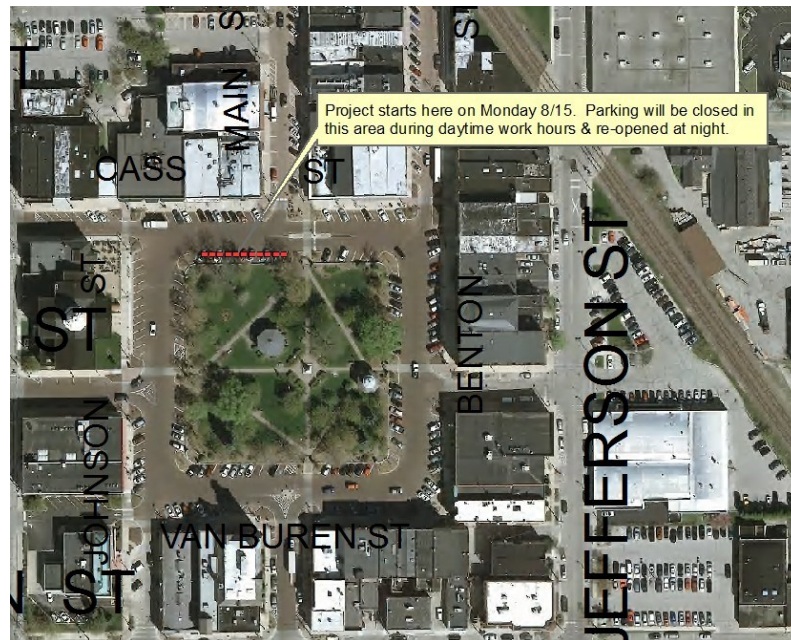
Jeffery Parsons - August 23  
Charles Amati - August 24  
Adam Garrison - August 24  
Victor Cortes - August 26  
Thomas Letourneau - August 27

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Park in the Square Stone Façade Work Started Wednesday, August 17th

On Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, Jimmy'Z Masonry started the stone veneer installation work on the west half of the Park in the Square retaining wall on Cass Street. Interior parking spaces along the wall will be blocked off where the contractor is working. This is necessary to not only accommodate the workers, but also to protect the work zone. Affected parking spaces will re-open at the conclusion of each work day. Work will progress around the square in a clockwise direction until the project is completed. This improvement will also include the installation of parking curbs to prevent vehicles from making contact with the new cobblestone face.

Please contact the Department of Public Works at [pwdept@woodstockil.gov](mailto:pwdept@woodstockil.gov) or (815) 338-6118 with any questions or concerns.

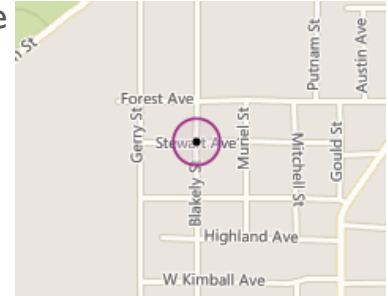




## Resurfacing Program Preconstruction Meeting to be Scheduled

The preconstruction for the 2016 street resurfacing program was scheduled this week. The list of streets confirmed to be resurfaced in 2016 are:

- \* *Becking from Conway to Dane*
- \* *Madison Street from South to Fremont*
- \* *W. Jackson from Throop to Tryon*
- \* *Country Club from west City limits to east City limits*



Because bids were favorable, the City has extra funds to expend on additional resurfacing. An evaluation of street conditions beyond those streets that have already been selected for resurfacing have been compiled and cost estimates associated with that work are being calculated. As a result, a list of additional streets is not yet available.

## Downtown Brick Replacement Program to Begin

The annual brick replacement program started this week. Nierman Landscape & Design, Inc. was awarded the contract again this year. Being a local contractor, they are sensitive to the needs of the business community and they know how to get in and out without a huge impact or disruption.

## Hickory Lane Asphalt Maintenance Project

The Street Maintenance Division is in their final phase of asphalt maintenance work on Hickory Lane. Starting Monday, August 22nd, Hickory Lane will be closed to through-traffic between Blakely Street and Sando Lane.

For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works [pwdept@woodstockil.gov](mailto:pwdept@woodstockil.gov) or at (815) 338-6118.

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT



LAND GROUP FITNESS  
"Fall Back into Fitness"  
**FREE DEMO DAY**



**Saturday,  
August 27**  
**Woodstock Rec Center**

**Stay for one class or try them all!**

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| 8:00AM  | Step Up and Power Down w/Anita  |
| 8:30AM  | Strength and Flexibility w/Anna |
| 9:00AM  | Werq w/Josie                    |
| 9:30AM  | Drum Fun w/Cindy                |
| 10:00AM | HEAT w/Molly (gym)              |

### **FREE Demo Day**

Land Group Fitness "Fall Back into Fitness" on Saturday, August 27th at the Rec Center. All classes are at the Recreation Center on Lake Avenue. Classes are on the ½ hour beginning at 8:00 AM with the last class starting at 10:00 am. Stay for one class or try them all!

( Pictured left)

### **Program Registration**

#### **Begins**

The Recreation Department begins registration of their fall programs for City of Woodstock residents on Tuesday, September 6th at 9:00 am. Registration for non-residents begins on Tuesday, September 13th at 9:00 am. Online, in person, and mail-in registration will be accepted.

### **Touch-A-Truck**

This program will be offered on Sunday, August 28th at the Main Pavilion in Emricson Park from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

### **Woodstock Water Works**

The pool is now operating on its weekend schedule, Saturdays from 12:00 – 8:00 pm and Sundays from 12:00 – 7:00 pm, through September 4th, and from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm on Labor Day, Monday, September 5th.



| OPERA HOUSE SCHEUDLE   |   |  |  |
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| Friday 8/19  | Saturday 8/20   | Tuesday 8/23                           | Wednesday 8/24   |
| OffSquare Music<br>Fundraiser 7 pm<br>Stage Left Café<br><br>Rusty Wright 8 pm<br>Main Stage | Closed for<br>Car Show  | Senior Coffee<br>1- 2 pm<br>Stage Left | Maxwell Street<br>Klezmer Band,<br>7:00 pm<br>Park in the Square |
| Friday 8/26  | Saturday 8/27   | Tuesday 8/30                           | Wednesday 8/31   |
| Jazz Fest,<br>9 am In the Square<br>8 pm Stage Left Café                                     | Jazz Fest,<br>8 pm Stage Left Café<br><br>Galactic Cowboy<br>Orchestra 8 pm<br>Main Stage | Senior Coffee<br>1- 2 pm<br>Stage Left |  |



**ABBA SALUTE**  
**A Tribute to the Music**  
**of ABBA**  
**Saturday, Sept. 3**  
**8:00 pm**

ABBA SALUTE is quite literally the most accurate tribute band in the nation. With painstaking attention to detail, ABBA SALUTE recreates an experience that comes to life in a hard hitting Las Vegas style show.

### **Galactic Cowboy Orchestra** **Saturday, August 27, 2016**

The Galactic Cowboy Orchestra covers many genres in their crazy eclectic music mix. Having been compared to King Crimson, Mahavishnu Orchestra, Dixie Dregs, and Bela Fleck and the Flecktones, since 2009 the band has stretched their own musical limits with album after album of intensely energetic ART-ROCK. The band features four fun-loving musicians, who don't take themselves too seriously, and performs music that excites them and appreciates and aspires to superior musicianship while combining their love of a good riff, hummable melody and groovy jam... It all culminates in an intensely energetic live performance!





## **The 9th Annual Woodstock Jazz Festival**

Friday, August 26th &  
Saturday, August 27th  
In the Square

### **Friday Night - Stage Left Café**

- Featuring Typhanie Monique.

### **Saturday - In the Square**

- Student Allstars at 9:00 AM;
- Potts & Pans Steel Band at 10:00 AM;
- Outcast Jazz Band at 11:30 AM.

### **Saturday Night - Stage Left Café**

- The Petra van Nuis and Andy Brown Duo
- The Patty Greer & Fred Wackenhut Quarter.

### **Need something to Celebrate? Here are some ideas!**

National Motorcycle Week – August 14-20

National Resurrect Romance Week – August 14-20

National Aviation Week – August 15-21

North American Organic Brewers Week – August 18-21

Minority Enterprise Development Week – August 18-24

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over – August 19 – September 5

National Safe at Home Week – August 22-26

Be Kind to Humankind Week – August 25-31



### Woodstock Train Group

If you are interested in trains and/or railroads (i.e., model railroading and rail-fanning topics) attend this program on Saturday, August 27th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Guest speaker, John Kunzie, owner of John's Ballast, will be speaking about the Model Railroading industry.



### English Conversation Club

Interested in practicing your English? Joining our Conversation Club on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM is a great opportunity for native Spanish speakers.



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### IT Assistance

Need help with that tablet or other smart device? Stop in Thursdays between 10:00 am and 11:00 am for some one-on-one assistance with our IT Librarian gurus.

### Friday Fun Day

Every Friday there will be a small, do-it-yourself activity in the Children's Department. It will be available all day, and announced on Facebook that morning. We've already built forts, colored on the floor and played dress-up, come in to see what's next!



## Police Department

### SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION



Just a reminder to everyone that District #200 classes began yesterday, August 18th. Marian Central Catholic High School and St. Mary Catholic School will start on Wednesday, August 24th. While driving around town, please be alert to the additional pedestrian traffic as children walk to and from school each day. Illinois law requires drivers to stop and yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. Remember to obey the 20 MPH speed limit in designated school zones. In addition, be alert to school bus stop arms and warning lights indicating that a bus is loading or unloading students. No vehicle may overtake or pass a school bus with the stop arm extended.

The Woodstock Police Department will have extra patrol officers assigned around the schools initially to help ensure safety while everyone becomes accustomed to school being open again.

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY!

### WPD HOSTS AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

The Woodstock Police Department will host the *AARP Smart Driver Course* on **Monday, September 19, 2016** and **Tuesday, September 20, 2016**. The classes will be held in the Training Room at the Woodstock Police Department located at 656 Lake Avenue. Classes will be held on each day from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Participants *must* attend both sessions.

The AARP Smart Driver Course is the nation's first and largest classroom course designed specifically for drivers age 50 and older. Course completion helps older drivers refine existing skills and develop safe driving strategies in today's challenging driving environment.

Successful completion of the course may entitle the participant to a discount on their auto insurance. Participants are charged a nominal fee of \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members.

There are still places available. For more information or to register for the class, please call Tamara Reed at the Woodstock Police Department at 815-338-6787.



## CLUB CHALLENGER

Welcome to the site for our after-school program for students in grades 3-5!

Club Challenger takes place one Thursday each month, from 4:00-5:30 pm. Each month, we will focus on a different area of STEM – science, technology, engineering, and math. There will be two sessions of Club Challenger. The first session will last from September-December and the second session will be from February-May.



**Enrollment is for all four dates. Registrants may not pick and choose dates that they want to attend. The program fee is not refundable and absences cannot be substituted for another session.**

### **SESSION I (FALL 2016)**

*Cost for Fall 2016 Club Challenger enrollment is \$80 per participant. The deadline to sign up for Fall Club Challenger will be September 19th.*

#### **September 22nd**

Be prepared to get messy! Students will learn about the power of observation and the necessity of experimentation in the scientific process. They will be performing different science experiments that they will then be able to take home with them and show the whole family!

#### **October 27th**

Bring your creative and critical thinking skills! Students will be working in teams to build various projects with our Cubelets robotics kits using magnetized pieces in order to construct their robots. Students will complete a series of design challenges with these robotic kits, such as building a robot that can be guided through a maze!

#### **November 17th**

Invention is the name of the game! Through invention and creativity, students will design structures with Keva Contraptions. Engineers will have first-hand experience with balance, leverage, geometry and principles of physics. Students will work through the invention process in teams to create interesting structures to solve problems.

#### **December 15th**

Have you ever wondered about the size of the planets or distances in the solar system? How about how much it would take to launch a payload on a rocket into space? We will answer these questions and learn more about the mathematics of space travel.

City Motto: "True to its past and confident of its future."



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Hours:

8:30 am - 5:00 pm  
M, W, Th, F  
8:30 am - 7:00 pm  
Tuesdays unless  
otherwise posted

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## Wednesday Night August Concert Series Last Chance!

Maxwell Street Klezmer Band - August 24th  
All concerts begin at 7:00 pm.

### Reminder New Newsletter Publish Dates

*September 2016*

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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### City Meetings Open to the Public

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Meeting</u>                               | <u>Location</u>                |
|-------------|-------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 8/23/16     | 4:30 pm     | Woodstock Opera House<br>Advisory Commission | Opera House Library            |
| 8/25/16     | 7:00 pm     | Plan Commission                              | City Hall,<br>Council Chambers |